

## E-MAIL ALSPO B/04

**Subj: BAH FOR MEMBER MARRIED-TO-MEMBER COUPLES ON SEA DUTY**

**Ref:** (a) [ALCOAST 563/03](#)  
(b) [Coast Guard Pay Manual, COMDTINST M7220.29 \(series\)](#)  
(c) [Source Data Automation II User Manual, PSCINST M5231.2 \(series\), 2-A-78](#)

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**Introduction** This E-Mail ALSPO provides the procedure for implementing entitlement to BAH without dependents for military members married to each other, who have no other dependents and are assigned to sea duty.

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**Discussion** As discussed in paragraph 2.C. of reference (a), two military members married to each other, who have no other dependents, are now each entitled to BAH without dependents when:

- (a) Both spouses are assigned at sea; and
- (b) Both spouses vacate government owned or leased quarters (shipboard quarters, UPH, or UPLH). (Members may only use shipboard quarters on a temporary basis as required by duty, e.g., when standing inport duty or when the vessel is underway. Any other use or occupancy of government quarters when not required by duty will result in loss of entitlement to BAH.)

Previously, under section 3.D.9, reference (b), only members E-4 and above assigned to sea had dual BAH without dependents entitlement.

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**Procedure** To start BAH without dependents, the PERSRU/SPO shall submit a Change BAH P606 transaction with BAH Code “**H**”, per reference (c). The effective date of the P606 transaction should be the date the member vacates shipboard quarters, or 1 October 2003, whichever is later.

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**Directives Affected** This policy will be incorporated into forthcoming change to reference (b).

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